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Come cozy up with beautiful new arrangements of cherished Christmas songs with our Cathedral Choir, orchestra, LCPC talent, and a return visit with vocal ensemble, Monday@JoJo's. The concert will be capped by a "Hallelujah Chorus" sing- along, so be ready to come,

"Rejoice & Sing!"

The evening wouldn't be complete without Fellowship providing their annual assortment of delectable baked treats and goodies following the concert in Koopmans Hall.

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Family Christmas Eve Service with Nativity Animals and Music by the Blessed Message by Lee Cook: **Discover Christmas**

LEE'S LATEST

Waiting is just a fact of life--waiting at the doctor's office, waiting for that surprise Amazon box you forgot you ordered, or just waiting for your pour-over coffee. It's no wonder we do everything in our power to speed things up. Think about it. Most of the technological advances that have happened in our world revolve around speed. Horses are faster than walking. Cars are faster than horses. Airplanes are faster than cars. I even listen to podcasts at 1.2x speed (15 if they are sermons). But Spiritual formation takes time. Waiting on God to produce the fruit of the Spirit in our lives seems to take forever. We wonder if we're making any progress in our lives. But what if the process is actually part of the goal? What if God wants us to learn to wait--learn to trust when we can't quite see the goal?

What if he wants us to learn to wait with others?Advent is a time of waiting. In a world that prioritizes results, speed, and accomplishments, God delights in teaching us to slow down, listen, and rest in His grace.I hope this



Advent season allows you to wait for those who wait on the Lord will renew their strength.



Dear LCPC Friends and Family,

Here we are, at the end of another year full of God's grace and mercy! It is so good to reflect on the blessings we Deacons have received as part of the gift of being His hands and feet to our congregation.

In November, we were so happy to be able to host our annual Thanksgiving meal again. We are so thankful for the opportunity to share this meal with you and to know that our Lord is always looking out for us. Lee's sermon series this Fall has been on love and obedience to God and this informs our service as Deacons and Christians. John 13:35 says, 'By this, everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another'.

We are thankful that we have our own small food pantry that is stocked with bags of 2 days' worth of non-perishable groceries. These bags are available any time the church is open and you can call Nancy Thomas in the office or stop by for yourself or a friend in need.

We are thrilled that we were able to offer \$100000 scholarships to two of our students attending college this year, Amanda Rush and Hannah Campbell. These scholarships are available to anyone attending college, trade school or graduate school. We are planning a musical fundraiser for Spring of 2022 for our scholarship fund so stay tuned for details in the New Year. Of course, we will continue to accept your generous donations in the meantime.

Another event in the works for early 2022 is another blood drive. Our results from September 26th were terrific and the Red Cross was so impressed they asked us to host another one sooner rather than later. Blood donations from this year's drive were sent all over the Los Angeles area and even down to San Diego. What a gift to share life this way.

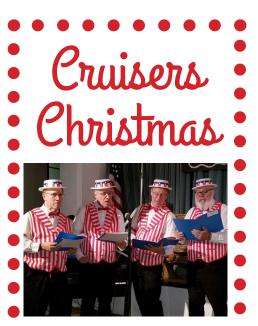
Deacons are so thankful for Momday@Jojo's for their Christmas concert on December 3rd, where they sang familiar and not-so-familiar Christmas songs and highlighted your Deacons at the same time. What a lovely way to begin celebrating Christ's birth!

I cherish the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons and the knowledge that we are the beloved of our Savior, Jesus and know you do too. We know He loves us all year long, but there is a special quality to this season of giving and blessing.

With heartfelt love and appreciation to all of you, my dear church family, I close the Deacons Beacon for 2021.

May God bless you in more ways than you can imagine!

In Christ, Kerry Milbrodt



The Cruisers Christmas program will be held on Tuesday, December 14 at 1:00 PM in Koopmans Hall, following the Bistro 50+ lunch. Featured performers will be the LCPC Barbershop Quartet singing favorite sacred and secular Christmas songs and a number of sing-along selections. Also included will be the piano virtuosity of Bill Fulton playing his renditions of popular holiday music. All parishioners are invited to attend and we promise you a good time!

MESSENGER

A CRESCENTA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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DISCOVERING ADVENT

HOPE FOR OUR HEARTS

PREPARATION:

SET OUT YOUR OWN ADVENT CANDLES OR WREATH! YOU'LL NEED 5 CANDLES IN TOTAL, FOR HOPE, PEACE, JOY, LOVE AND EVENTUALLY... JESUS!

WHEN WE LIGHT THE HOPE CANDLE, WE THINK ABOUT HOW HUNDREDS OF YEARS BEFORE JESUS'S BIRTH, GOD'S PEOPLE, THE ISRAELITES, HOPED THAT ONE DAY A SAVIOR WOULD COME TO BRING PEACE AND JOY AND LOVE TO THE WORLD.

ONCE YOU SET UP, TURN OFF THE LIGHTS AND LIGHT THE FIRST CANDLE, THE HOPE CANDLE, AS YOU PRAY:

GOD OUR FATHER, WE GIVE THANKS FOR THE LIGHT OF JESUS, SHINING IN THE LIVES OF ALL GOD'S PEOPLE. WITH THE PROPHETS ISAIAH AND JEREMIAH, WE WATCH AND WAIT FOR THE COMING OF JESUS WHO WILL BRING LIGHT AND PEACE TO ALL THE WORLD.

WEEK 1 READINGS FOR ADULTS AND TEENS:

READ OUT LOUD JEREMIAH 33:14-16, PSALM 25:1-10, 1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-13 AND LUKE 21:25-36

FAMILY REFLECTION:

HAVE YOU EVER HAD TO WAIT FOR SOMETHING THAT YOU WERE REEAALLLY EXCITED FOR?! WHAT WAS IT? HOW DID YOU FEEL WHEN IT FINALLY CAME?

HOW DO YOU THINK IT MIGHT HAVE FELT FOR GOD'S PEOPLE WHEN JESUS FINALLY CAME, AFTER THEY WAITED SO LONG FOR HIM?

JOHN 1:9 SAYS, "THE TRUE LIGHT THAT GIVES LIGHT TO EVERYONE WAS COMING INTO THE WORLD." JESUS IS THE TRUE LIGHT OF THE WORLD! HOW COOL IS THAT? WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE TWINKLING LIGHT OF THE HOPE CANDLE IN FRONT OF YOU?

HOW DOES THE HOPE CANDLE REMIND YOU OF JESUS?

SPEND A MOMENT PRAYING TOGETHER, AND THANK JESUS FOR BEING OUR HOPE AND OUR LIGHT.

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HOPE FOR OUR COMMUNITY

HOPE ISN'T MEANT FOR US TO JUST KEEP INSIDE- WE'RE SUPPOSED TO SHARE IT! HERE ARE SOME IDEAS FOR PUTTING HOPE INTO ACTION.

PRACTICING HOPE - FAMILIES WITH KIDS:

- AS YOU PUT UP DECORATIONS, SHOW AND TELL EACH OTHER YOUR FAVORITES AND WHY THEY MAKE YOU FEEL HOPEFUL
 - THINK OF SOMEONE YOU LOVE WHO YOU HAVEN'T TALKED TO FOR A WHILE. CALL THEM AND RECONNECT!
- WRITE A NOTE TO SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY ABOUT A BLESSING YOU HOPE FOR THEM THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON
- THINK OF A NEW CHRISTMAS TRADITION YOU WANT TO TRY AS A FAMILY -THAT INCLUDES GIVING HOPE TO OTHERS, AND PUT IT ON YOUR CALENDAR!
- PICK OUT AN ORNAMENT FROM LCPC'S GIVING TREE! SPEND A FEW -MINUTES PRAYING OVER THE ITEMS THAT YOUR FAMILY WILL BE ORDERING



PRACTICING HOPE - ADULTS AND TEENS:

- MAKE AN ADVENT WREATH AND DISPLAY IT SOMEWHERE IT CAN BE WIDELY SEEN!
- INVITE SOMEONE WHO YOU DON'T KNOW SUPER WELL INTO A HOLIDAY TRADITION THAT'S MEANINGFUL TO YOU.
- ARE YOU LIGHTING YOUR ADVENT CANDLES ALONE? INVITE SOMEONE FAR AWAY TO JOIN YOUR CANDLE LIGHTING OVER ZOOM!
- INVITE SOMEONE FROM YOUR WORK OR SCHOOL TO JOIN YOU FOR LCPC'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT ON DECEMBER 17 OR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE.
- GRAB A FREE BIBLE FROM LCPC AND THINK OF SOMEONE YOU COULD GIVE IT TO. AND MAYBE YOU COULD EVEN BAKE THEM SOME TREATS TO GO WITH IT!

This year for Advent, we are encouraging families of all ages to remember the reason we celebrate this season: Jesus! Each week at. ICPC, we'll have family devotionals that you can take home and use to help your family grow closer to each other and Jesus as we celebrate His coming birth. Join us in discovering advent!

-Josh Horton

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY JOINT BUILD DAYS SAVE THE DATES JANUARY 22 AND FEBRUARY 5, 2022

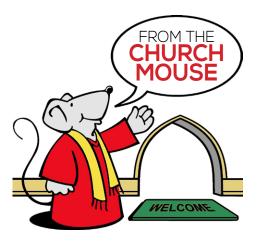
La Crescenta Presbyterian Church, La Canada Presbyterian Church, Friendship Pasadena Church and Pasadena Church are working together with San Gabriel Valley Habitat for Humanity to help build two new homes in northwest Pasadena. Together we have committed to have two build days, with two shifts (morning and afternoon) each day. Together we will have 25 volunteers per shift.

All you need is enthusiasm. Habitat for Humanity staff will teach you everything you need to know. Volunteers



must be at least 16 years old. This is an opportunity to help a needy family gain affordable housing, meet some new people (including the new owners who will be working right alongside us), learn some new skills, and join and serve the Lord in his ministry in northwest Pasadena.

Keep an eye out for more information about this service project, which is being coordinated through the Missions, Outreach Ministries, and Biblical Reconciliation Steering Committees. Call Ed Carlson with your questions, 419-307-5536.



The Halls are Decked – Let the Christmas festivities begin! Thank you to everyone who attended **Hanging of the Greens** and beautifully decorated our Sanctuary! And to the **Cary family** who decorated and lit up the front of LCPC again this year, for the whole community to enjoy! And to **The Blessed** praise band for the fantastic sing-a-long after the boughs of holly were hung. What a perfect way to celebrate the first Sunday of advent.

Make sure to check out our **World Vision Giving Tree** in the Narthex, covered in some extra special ornaments. You have until December 26 to choose an ornament off the tree and give a donation to purchase that item for a family in need. For questions, contact Jesiah@lcpc.net. in Koopmans Hall December 6-10. You are invited to shop anytime during CFC hours, M-F 8 AM - 6 PM. You can cross some gifts off your list and support CFC at the same time!

Bistro 50+ and the **Cruisers** meeting will be the 2nd Tuesday this month, December 14. After a delicious lunch, **Noel Collins** and his talented friends will treat everyone to an afternoon of Christmas carols, barbershop quartet style. You won't want to miss it!

Gary Woodward and the **Cathedral Choir** are excited to bring you this year's **Christmas concert, "Rejoice & Sing!"**, Friday December 17, at 7:30PM. They will be singing new arrangements of cherished Christmas song along with an orchestra, LCPC talent, and a return visit from vocal ensemble, **"MondayJoJo's."** Following the concert, there will be a dessert buffet down in Koopmans Hall. It's another great opportunity to bring a friend!

Jesiah is hosting a Children's Christmas Party on December 20, from 6:30-8:30 PM in Koopmans Hall. Parents can drop off their kids for an evening of games, snacks, crafts, and activities. They will be making Christmas decorations, enjoying silly Christmas mad-libs, and, most importantly, reminding the kids of what we are really celebrating. It's a great opportunity to get some last minute shopping done without your kids!



Please bring canned goods or a grocery gift card benefit the Bailey Center and the LCPC food pantry. www.mondayatioios.com

Come enjoy an **outdoor Holiday concert** in the courtyard on Friday, December 3, at 6:30 PM. "Monday@JoJo's" a women's ensemble featuring LCPC choir members **Shawn Kelly and Jean Sommerville** will be performing some of their favorite jazzy Christmas tunes, and more! The concert is free but they ask that you bring canned goods or grocery gift cards to be donated to **LCPC's food pantry** and the **Bailey Human Care Center**. Bring a friend too!

CFC will be holding their annual book fair

This year's **Christmas Eve service** will be a family service at 5:00 pm in the Sanctuary, with our praise band **The Blessed**. We're thrilled to have our **live nativity animals** back this year in front of the church! It's going to be a great night of celebrating the birth of our Savior. If you are able, please park a little farther down the street to allow our parking lot to have space for visitors.

It's not too late to turn in your **Faith Estimate of Giving cards** for 2022. These cards help the LCPC leadership team discern where the Spirit is leading us in terms of ministry priorities and are important in setting the budget for next year. Please mail it or drop it off at church

by December 12.

Pastor Andy would love for you to go to the **Dominican Republic** with him June 18-25, 2022. There is room for 35 people, aged high school and older to experience this life changing mission trip. Teams will be offering remedial health clinics in rural villages and also VBS for kids, home repairs, basic health education and food distribution. Watch for registration materials coming soon!

Thank you to everyone who donated food and

gifts of money to the **Children's Hunger Fund Food Pak drive**, and to the kids who came and helped pack up the boxes. All those Food Paks will



be sent out to local churches and distributed to those in need. Your generosity made a difference for so many families!

Make sure to thank a **Deacon** for the fabulous Thanksgiving brunch they prepared and served to us on Dedication Sunday! They also work hard behind the scenes every day at LCPC organizing meals, rides, assistance and many other loving acts of service. We are so grateful for all they do for our church family.

Unfortunately, the **Lift Up Crescenta Valley 24 Hour Prayer event** had to be postponed last month. It is rescheduled for February 24 and 25, at St Luke's Anglican Church in Montrose. **Al Nunez** will keep us posted on all the details as they become available.

We do have **prayer opportunities** here at LCPC each week. Our prayer room, #203, is open every Sunday morning starting at 9:30 AM for quiet prayer before the worship service, and again at 11:30 AM-12:30 PM after the service. Our **prayer team** is available right after service, along the side aisles in the Sanctuary to pray with anyone in need of prayer. Prayer is also available Wednesday evenings from 5:15-5:45 PM in the Sanctuary.

Mark Williams gave the benches right outside the church office some much needed TLC. He took them home and re-stained them, as well as repaired them to make them sturdier. Thank you Mark!

Recently, our **Cornerstone Crew, Elaine Ross Collins** and **Isumi Morrison** planted 18 little plants on the slope by the parking lot stairs. The next Saturday all 18 were gone! They discovered it was probably the neighborhood skunks who were delighted with this new buffet. Cornerstone has decided to let dandelions grow instead of delicious plants for the creatures of the neighborhood. Hey, even skunks enjoy a good meal now and again!

Hoping that during the hustle and bustle of this busy month, you find time to reflect on the **true gift of Christmas**. Wishing you all a blessed Christmas season with your loved ones and I will talk to you next year!

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Here we are at the end of another great month for Children's Ministries! Coming out of a very fun and exciting Pumpkin Decorating Party at the end of October, we entered November with renewed energy! For PEAK, we continued on in our "Life of Jesus" series, learning all about the earthly ministry of Jesus to help focus in on just who our savior is. We played games, read stories, and did plenty of exciting crafts all centered around our key Bible points, such as "Jesus Takes Care of Us" and "Jesus Forgives Us." As we wrap up this fall semester of PEAK, I am happy to report that all of us, myself and volunteers included, are being drawn into a refreshed and deeper view of who Christ is.

As for Sunday mornings, we wrapped up the Foundations of Faith curriculum, stepped into a 2-week series all about giving thanks to God, and ended the month with our first lesson of advent! I find myself enjoying these lessons more and more each Sunday, as they serve as excellent opportunities to hear and respond to the questions and impressions of these youngsters as they grow in their relationship with Jesus.

Throughout the month of November, Children's Ministries also hosted a food drive in association with Children's Hunger Fund, seeking to assemble various food items for food packs that will be distributed to children experiencing poverty right here in the United States. The drive culminated in a packing party on November 16th, where children and members of the church community came together to help pack up these food packs to be sent back to Children's Hunger Fund for distribution. The turn out of support for this food drive and event was a true blessing to me and to this ministry, and I believe that this support will also be a great blessing to the children experiencing real need in our area.

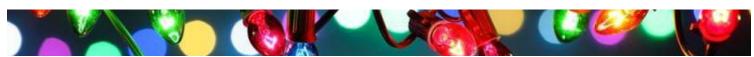
As November winds down, we look forward to December with eager anticipation, excited for the Advent series that will be experienced on Sunday mornings and for the upcoming Kid's Christmas Party that will be occurring on December 20th! There are a lot of exciting things going on with this Children's Ministries, so be sure to stay tuned!! There continue to be many ways I need to grow in this role as Director of Children's Ministry, but I am very thankful that I do not do this alone. The Lord has been gracious to aid me



through the difficult, stressful, and tiring and I believe that He will continue to do so. My prayer for this ministry remains as such: that I would not seek to make my own great name through this program, but that I would allow the Spirit to move in such a way that the children who enter our church may come to know God as He so desires for them to know Him. Thank you all for your support and care as I have eased into this position.

As always, I thank God for what He has done and eagerly await what He will do next!

Grace and Peace Jesiah



BISTRO 50+

Tuesday, December 14 12 Noon in Koopmans

Everyone 50+ years old is welcome to come and enjoy a nice meal and fellowship for just \$5.00. Following the meal is the Cruisers Christmas program at 1:00 PM.

SESSION REPORT

At the October 25 Stated Meeting of Session, the following items were discussed and/or approved:

- Received Jesiah and Jen Ning Bozich into Active Membership
- Approved the Ministry Information Form (Pastoral Job Description) presented by the Pastor Nominating Committee. The Ministry Information Form (MIF) will then be approved by the Presbytery's Committee on Ministry and Rev. Juan Sarmiento, the Executive Presbyter of the Presbytery of San Fernando.
- Approved Children's Ministries proposal to conduct a food drive with Children's Hunger Fund.
- Approved a "Creation Care" Steering Committee to assess LCPC's green practices and make recommendations to Session by November 2022.
- Approved recommended changes to the

LCPC Bylaws. These bylaws cover Electronic Meetings, E-mail voting, the church's Mission Statement, amending the size of Session and the Board of Deacons. Session status of the Moderator of the Personnel Committee, and the size of the Center for Children committee. The congregation will vote on these changes most likely at the Annual Meeting of the Congregation to be scheduled sometime next March. An informational meeting will be held after worship on January 30 to go over these changes and answer any questions. Copies of the bylaws with mark-ups of recommended changes will be available in the church office beginning the second week of December. If you have any questions regarding these recommended changes, please feel free to contact me.

> In Christ, Sheri Gray Clerk of Session

CFC Heartbeat

Director's Corner

Merry Christmas All,

As we approach this coming holiday season I want to wish your family a very merry Christmas and wonderful festivities for all that your family celebrates this month. We are hoping that more families are together this year, thanks to vaccinations and a community effort to slow down COVID-19. I hope that families with children 5 and older are taking advantage of the vaccines so that not only are your children safer, but the people around them as well.

I love the weeks leading up to Christmas. I joked on Facebook that I don't want to see Christmas decorations up until after Thanksgiving, Thanksgiving in Canada that is (October 11). Yes. I started to watch Hallmark Christmas movies the weekend of Halloween! Christmas was a big deal in my house growing up. We had big parties at the house with various groups and on Christmas Eve, in my Swedish tradition, we got together at Grandpa and Grandma's house for a large extended family and friends dinner and gift opening. We walked the streets of La Crescenta singing carols while the adults finished cleaning up dinner. We would come back to the house where the kids would act out the nativity story and then we would exchange gifts with each other. With my own children this pattern in some ways staved the same, but time does change things. Our family added going to a late Christmas Eve service.

Traditions are important to children. They help to mark the milestones in the year; they provide predictability in a chaotic time. Which stocking is theirs, what food do we include, what movies do we watch, what activities do we participate in, all create the traditions our children will look forward to for years to come and will bring to their own families going forward. La Crescenta Presbyterian Church and the CFC have



We are going to have a few special days leading up to Christmas.

December 21 is Red Day, so wear as much red as possible. December 22 is Green Day. Who has green clothes to wear? December 23 is Holiday Hat Day. Looking forward to seeing your holiday hats. December 28 is Pajama Day, so we will have pancakes and a movie on this day. traditions as well. Our amazing music department puts on a classical Christmas concert, our worship team offers a family friendly Christmas Eve service and the Center for Children offers Christmas Craft night. Details for all these and other events can be found in this edition of the *Messenger*. We hope you will take a look and join us as often as you can.

Advent, the four weeks leading up to Christmas, celebrate the Hope, Joy, Peace and Love that can be found in a relationship with Jesus. May your life be filled with all of these this year and for years to come. Pat

Winter Break for School Age Children

Winter Break is rather long this year. We will begin our day camp on December 20 and it will continue through Jan 7. Grades 2-6 will be attending camp in Koopmans Hall. Here they will be able to enjoy games, arts and crafts, cooking, and being with their friends. Look for a detailed daily chart of what they will be doing as we get closer to the break. Children in Kindergarten and First grade will meet in Room 107 and will be included in special activities of the day camp. If your child needs extra days please let us know. Tuition is due regardless of attendance. Bring a lunch each day. If your child doesn't attend our afterschool program but has a sibling in our program, we invite them to join the day camp. Check with the office on pricing and availability.



We will have a book fair set up in our Lounge area the week of Dec 6-10. These scholastic books will cover a wide range of ages and include some gift books appropriate for adults. We hope you will stop by for some Christmas gifts for your children and extended families. Proceeds will benefit our library and classroom book shelves. Each classroom will have an online wish list if you would like to purchase and donate a book(s) to your child's class. Look for those links being sent out by your teachers very soon. The fair will be open all day, with payments in the office. It will be open the night of our craft night near the family photo opportunity.

Christmas Craft Night December 9

This year we are going to be hosting Christmas Craft night in each classroom on Thursday, December 9. Come at 5:30 PM for a pizza dinner in the classroom and then enjoy as a family making three different Christmas Crafts in that same room starting about 6:00 PM. In the courtyard come enjoy Hot Cocoa, Coffee and cookies throughout the night. In Koopmans Hall we will be having a book fair and a family photo opportunity! We ask that your family remain in only one classroom that night, so pick any room where you have a child. We have amazing crafts planned for you.

COVID-19

Please remember that when you sign you children in each morning that you are attesting to the fact that your child is well enough to be here, and that:

- Your child has a clean mask for the day.
- No fevers in the last 24 hours, medication free
- No fresh runny noses
- No new cough
- Your child appears to be in good health and ready to participate in our program
- No exposure to a person with symptoms of COVID or with a positive COVID test.

Winter is upon us and it will be hard to distinguish between COVID symptoms and flu/cold symptoms. We will be erring on the side of caution and asking you to keep children home, or sending them home. We have a very good track record of not letting COVID spread in our program and we intend to keep it that way with your help.



The CFC will be closed December 24, 27 and 31 for Christmas and New Year's Holidays. Enjoy your families.

We know that extra days closed are hard on families but our staff was put through the paces on November 12, and we are now up to date in our CPR and First Aid training.

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December Worship Sundays 10:00 AM

This December we'll be exploring the Hope, Peace, Joy and Love we have in Christ. As we eagerly await Christmas, we'll discover the power of the Gospel to change lives, heal the brokenness of our world, and give us unspeakable joy.

December 5 Communion Sunday

Music by the Cathedral Choir Message by Lee Cook: Discover Peace For Personal Study: Luke 1:26-56

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Music by The Blessed Message by Lee Cook: Discover Joy For Personal Study: Luke 1:57-80

December 17 • 7:30 M Cathedral Choir Concert Kejoice & Sing!"

followed by the traditional dessert reception in Koopmans Hall

We hope you will use the devotional guide that accompanies this sermon series as we Discover Advent. Don't forget to invite your friends and family to our Choir Christmas Concert and Candlelight Christmas Eve Service.

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Music by the Blessed Message by Lee Cook: Discover Love For Personal Study: Luke 2:1-21



Family Christmas Eve Service with Nativity Animals Music by the Blessed Message by Lee Cook: Discover Christmas

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Christmas Carol Singalong Message by Lee Cook: **Discover Home**